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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, please replace paragraph [0001] with the following:

--[0001] This application is a continuation of U.S. application serial No. 10/270,319, filed on October 15, 2002, pending, which is a continuation International application No. PCT/FR02/00730, filed on February 28, 2002, and claims priority to U.S. provisional application serial No. 60/387,369, filed on June 11, 2002, and French application No. 01 02888, filed on March 21, 2001; the entire contents of these prior applications are hereby incorporated by reference.--

IN THE CLAIMS

--Claims 1-53 (Cancelled).

Claims 55-64 (New).--

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